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Appln. Title: LHRH-ANTAGONISTS IN THE  
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Sir:

REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

Date: June 5, 2002

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**FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

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3. Independent Claims		3	***minus 3	0	x \$84/\$42 =	+ \$0	102/202
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12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b) .....					x \$740/370 ea	+ \$0	149/249
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) .....					+ \$740/370	+ \$0	1179/1279
14. Petition fee for .....						+ \$0	
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This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal sheet is filed.

Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately.

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In re PATENT APPLICATION of

BOUCHARD, et al.

Group Art Unit: 1654

Appln. No.: 08/786,937

Examiner: Delacroix-Muirheid

Filed: January 22, 1997

FOR: LHRH-ANTAGONISTS IN THE  
TREATMENT OF FERTILITY DISORDERS

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June 5, 2002

### RESPONSE

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Communication mailed May 7, 2002, kindly  
consider and enter the following remarks.

The Examiner states that the reply filed by Applicant on September 4, 2001 in  
response to the Office Action mailed October 24, 2000 was not fully responsive to  
the rejections set forth in said Office Action. Specifically, the Examiner states that  
Applicant did not address the statutory double patenting rejection issued under 35  
U.S.C. § 101.

In the Office Action mailed October 24, 2000, the Examiner states that claims  
21-22 of the instant application claim the same subject matter of claims 34-35 of  
U.S. Application Serial No. 09/053,152. Applicant traverses this rejection.

Claims 34-35 of Serial No. 09/053,152 were cancelled in Applicant's  
Amendment filed October 9, 2001. The features recited in claims 34-35 were

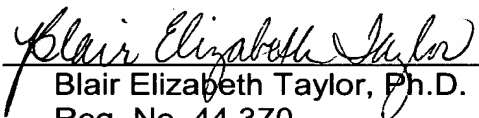
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incorporated into new claims 49-50, which are directed to a method of treating infertility disorders. Instant claims 21-22 recite a method of controlled ovarian stimulation. Thus, the statutory double patenting rejection has been rendered moot, as claims 49-50 of Serial No. 09/053,152 are not directed to the same subject matter as instant claims 21-22.

All objections and rejections having been addressed, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance, and Notice to that effect is respectfully requested. Should questions relating to patentability remain, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned to discuss the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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